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Ref: 2017-20950

Honorable James H. Welch
Commissioner of Conservation
Office of Conservation
P. O. Box 94275
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70804-4275

Re: Hearing Application
4400' Zone, Reservoir A
LAKE WASHINGTON FIELD, Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana
Applicant: Swift Energy Company

Dear Mr. Commissioner:

Application is hereby made on behalf of **Swift Energy Company**, for the calling of a public hearing, after ten days legal notice, to consider evidence relative to the issuance of an order pertaining to the following matters regarding the 4400' RA SUA, Lake Washington Field, Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana, for which rules and regulations were established and a drilling and production unit was created by the Office of Conservation Order No. 149-JJJ, effective February 10, 2004 and revised by Office of Conservation Order No. 149-JJJ-1, effective August 31, 2004.

1. To permit applicant, Swift Energy Company, to drill, designate and utilize the Swift Energy Company-Cockrell Moran No. 308 and Swift Energy Company-State Lease 17266 No. 9 ST2 as alternate unit wells for the 4400' RA SUA, such wells to be at the location shown on the plat attached hereto and made a part hereof;
2. To confirm Swift Energy Company as the operator of the 4400' RA SUA;
3. To make a specific finding that such proposed alternate unit wells are necessary to effectively and efficiently drain a portion of the 4400' RA SUA which cannot be efficiently and economically drained by any other well within the unit;
4. To grant a single unit allowable for the 4400' RA SUA and to permit the operator of the unit to produce said unit allowable from the unit well, the proposed alternate unit wells, or from a combination of the wells at its option;
5. To find that, except to the extent contrary to the order granted by the Commissioner of Conservation in connection with the hearing held on this application, the provisions of Office of Conservation Nos. 149-JJJ and 149-JJJ-1 remain in full force and effect;
6. To provide that the Commissioner of Conservation should be authorized to reclassify the sand and reservoir by supplemental order without the necessity of a public hearing if the producing characteristics of each reservoir changes and evidence to justify such reclassification is submitted to and accepted by the Commissioner of Conservation, and

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7. To consider such other matters which may be pertinent to this application as shown by the evidence presented at the hearing held on this matter.

The 4400' Zone, Reservoir A, Lake Washington Field, Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana was previously defined in Office of Conservation Order No. 149-JJJ, effective February 10, 2004 and revised by Office of Conservation Order No. 149-JJJ-1 effective April 31, 2004.

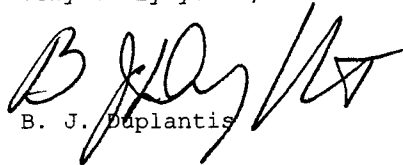
Attached hereto and made a part hereof is a plat outlining the 4400' RA SUA showing the location of the alternate unit wells together with a list of the names and addresses of all interested owners, interested parties and represented parties who are known to the applicant after reasonable search. A reasonable effort was made to ascertain the names and addresses of all such parties.

A copy of the list of the names and addresses of the interested owners, interested parties and represented parties is not being mailed to those parties along with this hearing application. Should any of these parties desire a copy of this list, however, we will be glad to provide one upon request.

Any pertinent data relating to this matter can be obtained at the cost of the requesting party, from Remy Williams of W. H. Robbins & Associates, LLC, 302 La Rue France, Suite 100, Lafayette, Louisiana 70598, (337) 232-5004.

Finally, there is enclosed our check on behalf of the applicant in the amount of \$755.00, made payable to the Office of Conservation, which represents the required hearing application fee.

Very truly yours,


B. J. Duplantis

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Enclosures

cc: Mr. Richard D. Hudson
District Manager, Office of Conservation

Interested Parties, Interested Owners
and Represented Parties on attached list

